

## BRANDEIS PLAN IS ATTACKED

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Road's Revenue.

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Former Secretary of the Interior Ap-  
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Held by the Interstate Com-  
merce Commission.

Washington, Feb. 25.—Louis D. Brandeis' proposal for increasing the revenues of railroads \$50,000,000 a year by making a charge for spur track, ferry car and trap car services was attacked today at a hearing before Interstate Commerce Commission. Mr. Fisher, former secretary of the interior, representing the Chicago Association of Commerce and other attorneys representing various shippers' associations, said that the Brandeis scheme was based on incomplete investigations made by examiners of the commission; that it would be detrimental to shippers and business interests and would affect Chicago shippers to such an extent that business would be chaotic. He said that under present conditions in Chicago business is congested by inadequate terminal facilities.

Ask Time for Investigation.  
Luther M. Walter, representing the National Industrial Traffic League of Chicago, composed of 75,000 shippers in various parts of the country, presented a resolution asking that the commission grant a sufficient length of time to make a thorough investigation of these special services. It was desired, he said, that testimony be taken and a complete record made of the entire proceedings.

Brandeis explained that there is no intention on his part to have the commission render a decision on the arguments that he has presented in previous cases. He declared that the matter so far is rather more in the nature of a conference than a trial.

That Atlantic shipping and railroad interests are making a strong attack on the clause in the Burnett immigration bill which prohibits the payment of rebates to steamship companies by railroads for immigrant traffic was the charge made by Representative Manahan of Minnesota. Mr. Manahan said he received his information from Senator Johnson of Maine.

## NEWSPAPER MEN ARE FINED

Adjudged in Contempt of Court for  
Refusing to Reveal Source of  
News Information.

New York, Feb. 25.—George Burdick, former city editor of the Tribune, and William Curtin, ship news reporter for that paper, were adjudged in contempt of court by Federal Judge Hand because they refused to reveal the source of information of two smuggling stories and were fined \$500 each. The fine was suspended pending an appeal to the supreme court. Both newspaper men had refused to testify before a federal grand jury, holding that their positions on a newspaper made them immune.

## QUIZ FAR UNDER GROUND

Congressmen Investigating Copper  
Strike in Michigan Go 1,500  
Feet Down.

Hancock, Mich., Feb. 25.—The congressmen investigating the mine strike entered the No. 15 shaft of the Amalgamated branch of the Calumet & Hecla Mining company. John Knox, general superintendent of the company; Fred James, mine inspector of Houghton county; Herbert Lutz, a representative of the strikers; and two newspaper men accompanied the investigators. Inspections were made in the ninth, tenth, seventeenth and eighteenth levels, each level being approximately 100 feet below the one above. To test the severity of the labor required of workers each of the congressmen, with the exception of Representative Switzer, tried his muscles by shoveling rock into tram cars.

## Police Rout Jobless "Army"

Chicago, Feb. 25.—Mounted policemen and patrolmen today routed a mob of 500 at Madison and Desplantes streets. The police drew their clubs and charged. The army quickly scattered, seeking refuge in doorways and alleys. Its leader, M. B. Martin, disappeared.

## Shoots Two Women; Suicides.

New York, Feb. 25.—Warren Nelson, colored, an ex-convict, 29 years old, after he had shot and probably mortally wounded two white women, shot himself, dying instantly.

## Southern Politician Is Slain.

Westville, Okla., Feb. 25.—Patrick Dore, widely known in Oklahoma as a political leader, was shot to death here yesterday. Tandy Polson, an Indian, is under arrest charged with the killing. They are said to have quarreled over a sum of money.

## Folk Accepts Post.

Washington, Feb. 25.—Joseph W. Folk, solicitor of the state department, decided to accept the new post of chief counsel for the interstate commerce commission.

## Kate Edwards Released.

Reading, Pa., Feb. 25.—Mrs. Kate Edwards, who has been in the shadow of the gallows for nearly thirteen years, for the killing of her husband, was released from the Berks county jail yesterday under a pardon granted by Governor Tener.

## Ground Hog Ties Up Traffic.

Tarrytown, N. Y., Feb. 25.—The New York Central railroad was tied up by a ground hog. The little animal bored his way into a conduit, short circuiting all signal wires.

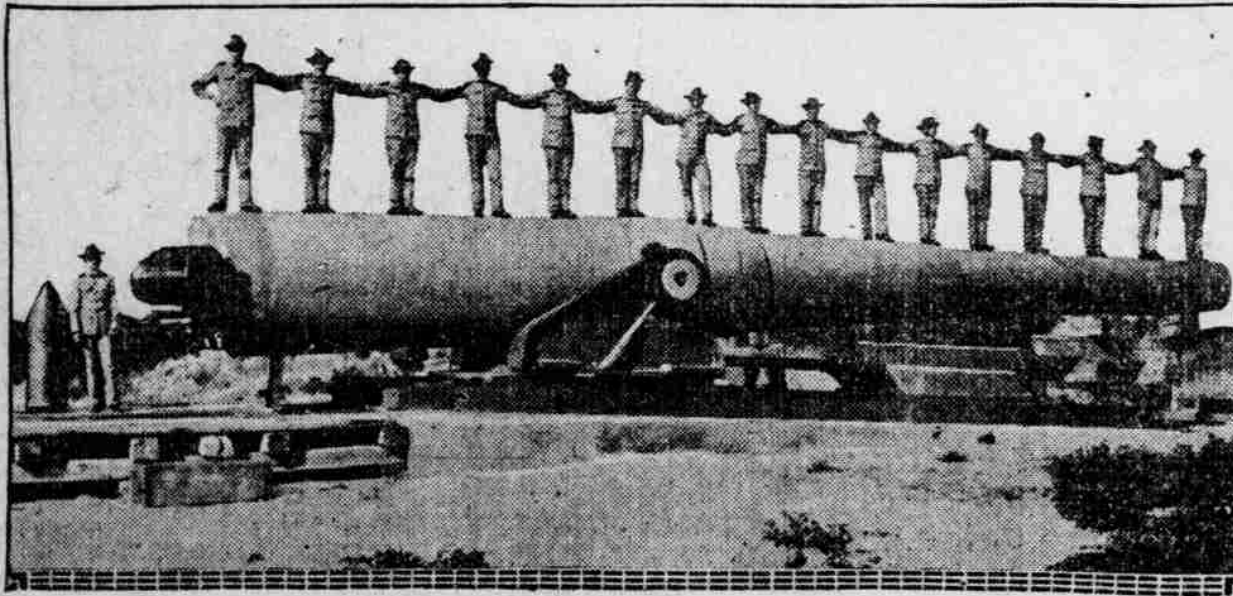
## Urging Simplification.

Washington, Feb. 25.—An appeal for simplification of court procedure to facilitate the administration of justice was made today to the house judiciary committee yesterday by a delegation of noted lawyers headed by former President Taft.

## Hold Marines at New Orleans.

New Orleans, Feb. 27.—The transport Hancock, with 1,000 marines aboard, did not leave here for Pensacola, Fla., as previously ordered, but was held here indefinitely.

## WORLD'S BIGGEST GUN FOR PANAMA CANAL



This, the largest gun in the world, has been made to defend the Pacific entrance to the Panama canal. It has a 16-inch bore, weighs 130 tons and throws a projectile weighing 2,400 pounds. The weapon will be mounted on a disappearing carriage on one of the small islands off the mouth of the canal.

## NEW TRIAL TO BECKER

COURT GIVES FORMER GOTHAM  
OFFICER ANOTHER CHANCE.

Men Who Killed Herman Rosenthal  
Must Pay Penalty in the  
Electric Chair.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 26.—Former Lieut. Charles Becker of the New York police force, now in the death house at Sing Sing, under sentence to be electrocuted for the murder of Gambler Herman Rosenthal was granted a new trial today. The decision was handed down by the state court of appeals on a plea made by counsel for Becker in December, 1913, and reversed the conviction.

Judge Werner dissented from the decision of his colleagues reversing the conviction which was reached by Justice Goff.

There were 25 legal points made in the appeal for Becker last December. It was the contention of Attorney Palmer before the court that Samuel Schepps had been accepted by this government, without waiving, however, any further movement to demand its delivery on American soil.

British Consul Perceval at Galveston was ordered to proceed at once to El Paso to go to the grave at Juárez with a delegation of Americans. Major General Scott, commanding the United States troops there, will detail an American army surgeon and other officers to accompany the British consul. A member of Benton's family will be taken with the party.

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Secretary Bryan discussed the situation with the senate foreign relations committee and for more than two hours answered questions by senators. Both the secretary and senators refused to discuss the conference, except to say that the trend was to get at the facts, leaving questions of policy for future determination.

## FLASHES OFF THE WIRE

Keokuk, Ia., Feb. 25.—Passenger train No. 46, on the Keokuk and Western branch of the Burlington railroad, engines here on Monday. The engine, which was on the bridge over the Little creek at Arbia, Mo., on Monday. Engineer Vandiver and his fireman were seriously hurt.

Decatur, Ill., Feb. 25.—Five persons were injured when the Wabash Continental Limited ran into three road engines here on Monday. The engine, which was on the bridge over the Little creek at Arbia, Mo., on Monday. Engineer Vandiver and his fireman were seriously hurt.

Evansville, Ind., Feb. 25.—Hans Rohr, a Houston, Texas, athlete, who was preparing to take part in the international swimming meet, died here following a heart attack. He recently came to Evansville to attend the funeral of his mother.

Philadelphia, Feb. 25.—With a fierce fire raging in her forward hold, the freight steamer Rapidan bound from Leith, Scotland, to Philadelphia, was reported to be fighting her way up the ice-filled Delaware river to stop.

Evansville, Ind., Feb. 25.—Mayor Brown received a threatening letter telling him he had better stop his investigation of local vice conditions.

London, Feb. 25.—The News of the World reports the engagement of Sir Edward Carson, the Unionist leader, to Miss Frewen, the niece of Moreton Frewen, formerly member of parliament for the northeast district of Cork.

Upper Sandusky, O., Feb. 25.—Great distress was reported in all parts of this city when the mercury sank to 13 degrees below zero.

## To Name U. S. Bank Body in April.

Washington, Feb. 25.—Because the committee which will put the currency law into effect will not report before April 1 the president does not expect to announce the membership of the federal reserve board until then.

## Glynn Not a Candidate.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 25.—"I am not a candidate for any office," said Governor Glynn when his attention was called to reports that D. F. Malone, collector of the port at New York, had named him for senator.

## Curley Out of Congress.

Boston, Feb. 25.—Mayor James M. Curley announced his resignation of his seat in congress. He said he took the step as a result of the action of James R. Mann, minority leader, who introduced a resolution in congress.

## Sixteen Bullet Holes in Corpse.

Olean, N. Y., Feb. 25.—When Coroner Cassar Smith opened the casket containing the body of William L. Barker, who died at Manningsport, La., it was found that the dead man had 16 bullet holes in his head.

## Girl Not Catherine Winters.

Springdale, Ark., Feb. 25.—Dr. W. A. Winters of Newcastle, Ind., announced that the little girl held here as his daughter, Catherine Winters, aged nine, who has been missing nearly a year, was not his daughter.

## Hart Heads Ways and Means Body.

Washington, Feb. 25.—Representative Hart of New Jersey was elected by the ways and means committee of the house to take the place on the District of Columbia committee made vacant by the death of Bremner.

## CONSUL TO SEE BODY

ARMY SURGEON WILL EXAMINE  
WOUNDS OF ENGLISHMAN  
WHOM VILLA EXECUTED.

Major General Scott and American Officers Will Journey to Juarez and Be Present When Grave Containing Benton's Body Is Opened.

Washington, Feb. 27.—Rigid investigation of the killing of Clemente Vergara by order of Villa was ordered by the state department following official confirmation from Consul Garrett of early reports of the slaying.

Washington, Feb. 27.—General Villa's proposal for an American examination of the body of William S. Benton, the English ranchman he executed at Juárez, without permitting its removal from Mexico has been accepted by this government, without waiving, however, any further movement to demand its delivery on American soil.

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## Woman Leader of "Dry" Is Dead.

Kenosha, Wis., Feb. 27.—George Kosack, tried in the circuit court on a charge of transporting dynamite for immoral purposes from Milwaukee to Kenosha, was found guilty of the charge by a jury in the circuit court on Wednesday. The jury was out 22 hours. The case has been the most bitter trial in this county. Kosack, a poor Austrian laborer, has had the most elaborate defense ever offered to a man for any crime committed here in recent years. Under the Wisconsin law he may be sent to the state prison for from three to ten years.

## Deported Miners at Banquet.

London, Feb. 25.—The mine labor leaders, who were deported from South Africa several weeks ago, were guests of honor at a dinner given by the labor members of parliament on Thursday.

## New Counterfeit \$10 Bill Out.

Washington, Feb. 25.—"D4792035" is the number of a new counterfeit \$10 note, the secret service announces in a circular. The note is of the series of 1911. It is a fairly good imitation.

## Woman Has Fourteenth Child.

Galesburg, Ill., Feb. 26.—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Godall presented another argument against race suicide in Galesburg with the birth of their fourteenth child, a daughter. She weighed 14 pounds.

## Doughty to Be Tried as Forger.

Peoria, Ill., Feb. 25.—William Doughty, 6029 Kimbark avenue, Chicago, former president of the National Education association, consented to stand trial in Peoria on the charge of forgery.

## No More Free Meals in Frisco.

San Francisco, Feb. 25.—The municipal dining room is closed and no more free meals will be served the unemployed. The reason for the action was that the city emergency appropriation of \$30,000 is exhausted.

## Woman Star Seeks Divorce.

New York, Feb. 26.—Mrs. Pearl Sutherland, known professionally as Pearl White, star of moving picture corporation, started action for divorce against Victor Sutherland. Another woman caused the court action.

## Negro Is Sentenced.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 25.—Jim Conley, negro sweeper at the National Planting plant when Mary Phagan was slain, for which crime Leo M. Frank was sentenced to death, was found guilty of complicity and given a year in jail.

## Society Girl Dies of Heart Failure.

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 25.—Miss Mary Lou Cobb, twenty-two years old, prominent society girl, who was to have been married to Lieut. Ralph Holliday of the United States army, died of heart failure at her home.

## Taft Not to Head College.

New Haven, Conn., Feb. 25.—Prof. William Howard Taft denied that he had been offered the presidency of Lafayette college. He declined to discuss the report further, saying that he knew nothing about it.

## FLEE SCARLET FEVER

STUDENTS LEAVE FOR HOMES AFTER  
TWO DEATHS IN DAY.

Miss Ona Reno, Heroic Young Nurse,  
Dies After Taking Care of  
Many Patients.

Champaign, Ill., Feb. 27.—Despite statements by the state board of health and local authorities that the scarlet fever situation at the University of Illinois was well in hand, 300 students fled to their homes Wednesday morning obeying the requests of anxious parents.

Although no new cases were reported in the student body, two deaths carried panic to the university, Champaign and Urbana. Miss Ona Reno, a young nurse in the Julia E. Burnham Training school, died a martyr to her work. Mrs. Harry L. Lingren of Urbana, a bride of six months, was the other victim.

Warned that service in the isolation ward was not mandatory and also was dangerous, Miss Reno responded by declaring that she wanted to volunteer. She was assigned to the care of S. H. Cater, a student from Princeton, who died last week.

Champaign physicians passed resolutions reciting the heroic sacrifice of the young woman.

E. A. Hardt, representing the state board of health, said the board had not even considered the idea of quarantining the twin cities, the situation being well in hand. Dean Clark, chairman of the university health committee, issued a statement, advising students to go to classes and not to go home.

## WHITE SLAVE LAW IS UPHELD

Supreme Court Favors Narrow  
Construction of Federal Statute—  
Act Declared Constitutional.

Washington, Feb. 25.—Although standing firm for the constitutionality of the federal white slave law, the Supreme court of the United States decided on Tuesday in favor of a narrow construction of the act in a case involving the demurrer of Charles Wilson, alias Charles Willard and Katherine Wilson, alias Zoe Willard, to an indictment against them for a violation of the law.

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## Noted Cartoonist Is Dead.

London, England, Feb. 25.—Sir John Tenniel, for many decades the leading British cartoonist, died at the age of ninety-four years. Sir John was the famous English cartoonist who so mercilessly caricatured Abraham Lincoln during the Civil war. He was the dean of the world's great political cartoonists. Tenniel held the record for continuous service. Fifty years were passed, with scarcely a holiday, as cartoonist. On Lincoln's death Tenniel's bitterness against him disappeared.

## Vincent Astor Has Severe Cold.

New York, Feb. 25.—Vincent Astor, who has settled upon his chest has seriously interfered with the many activities of Vincent Astor. The young man, it was learned, has been confined to his town house for a week.

## Woman Deemed Not a Suicide.

Lexington, Ky., Feb. 27.—Investigation into death of Mrs. Laura Simpson is up to grand jury. The coroner's jury returned a noncommittal verdict. Evidence tended to show death by a gunshot wound was not a suicide.

## Believe Milwaukee Girl Kidnaped.

Milwaukee, Feb. 27.—Milwaukee police are endeavoring to solve what is believed to be a kidnapping mystery in the disappearance of Stella Cizkyska, aged fourteen. The girl has been missing since Monday noon.

## Wounds Wife and Kills Self.

Champaign, Ill., Feb. 27.—William Smith, thirty-five years old, of Champaign, quarreled with his wife and shot her twice then took carbolic acid and died on Wednesday. His wife will probably recover.

## Antarctic Expedition Returns.

Adelaide, Feb. 27.—The Mawson expedition is returning from the antarctic after two years' exploration of Antarctica. Their vessel, the Aurora, reports all well. The ship is expected in port this week.

## U. S. District Judge Drops Dead.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Feb. 27.—Judge James S. Boyd of the western district of Pennsylvania, United States court, dropped dead in his Dallas avenue home here. Death was due to heart failure.

## Fire Loss Will Reach \$600,000.

Chicago, Feb. 25.—The loss caused by the fire which destroyed Kresge's five and ten-cent store here was estimated at \$600,000. So far as is known no one was killed in the fire.

## DE PALMA WINS RACE

VICTOR OF VANDERBILT CONTEST  
AT SANTA MONICA, CAL., MAKES  
75.5 MILES AN HOUR.

## OLDFIELD IS CLOSE SECOND

Daring Driver Perils Mechanician and  
Himself When He Plows Ahead of  
Italian at "Death Curve"—Crowd  
Gives Him an Ovation.

Santa Monica Race Course, Cal., Feb. 28.—The Vanderbilt cup automobile classic was won by Ralph de Palma on Thursday when he sent his Mercedes car 75.5 miles in 3 hours 51 minutes and 41 seconds. This is an average of 75.5 miles an hour. Barney Oldfield, driving a Mercer car, was second in 3 hours 55 minutes and 1 second.

At the beginning of the thirtieth lap De Palma was 30 seconds behind Oldfield, but the latter started 85 seconds ahead of De Palma and would have to gain 60 seconds in the remaining five laps to defeat the winner of the last Vanderbilt cup race.

Oldfield went into the lead at the end of the twenty-third lap, with De Palma a close second. The crowd went wild when the announcement was made that George Joermann, pilot of the Touraine, an entry that was believed without a possible chance of running more than a few laps, was the surprise of the classic. At the end of his nineteenth lap Joermann was driving a clever race and holding a tight grip on fifth place. When Oldfield completed 25 laps he was still in the lead, followed in order by De Palma, Carlson, Cooper, Joermann and Janette.

As Oldfield passed De Palma he evaded the most daring driving ever witnessed on any Vanderbilt cup race course. The two machines had passed the grand stand with only few seconds separating them. As they approached "death curve," a right-hand turn, Oldfield put on all power and overtook De Palma. With death for himself and his mechanician a certainty if he sent his car one inch out of the path, Oldfield dashed onto the curve and swung around De Palma's Mercedes.

He kept the lead on the straightaway and passed the grand stand 100 feet ahead of De Palma. The shouting of the crowd was thunderous.

Car No. 1 was sent away by Starter Wagner at 10:06 o'clock. The other 15 racing machines tore away at 15-second intervals.

Spencer Wishart, in No. 2, made the first lap at 80 miles an hour, although a soft spot developed by the recent rains caused the cars to skid dangerously at one of the turns.

The distance is 294.035 miles, or 36 laps of the 8.401-mile course, which ought to be covered by the winners in less than four hours, it is said.

The veterans, Oldfield and De Palma, and Cooper, who won last year's Santa Monica race, were the favorites. The course was pronounced to be in perfect condition.

## BORAH SAYS KILL MONOPOLY

Republican Senator Tells Ohio  
Leaders Why He Never Could  
Join the Progressives.

Columbus, O., Feb. 28.—Open war on monopoly was advocated by United States Senator Borah of Idaho in an address here before the Republicans of Ohio at a "get together" luncheon on Thursday. The time has come for the destruction of "trusts," he declared, with industrial monopolies, he said, and urged vigorous policy on the part of the Republican party.

At the same time he assailed the attitude on this issue of such leaders of the Progressive party as former Governor Beveridge of Indiana and George W. Perkins of New York, who, he asserted, maintained that monopolies "were the proper thing and all they need is a little regulation."

Fleeting for all men who believe in the principles of the Republican party to aid in its rejuvenation as a genuinely progressive party, Senator Borah declared that "even if the Republican party was at an end, I could never join the third party, so long as it stands in the way of the destruction of monopoly," continued the speaker.

## Will Resist Conservancy Act.

Three thousand voters and taxpayers of Miami county, in mass meeting, adopted resolutions in which the conservancy act is denounced. The resolutions declare "that the removal of encroachments, straightening, deepening and widening the channel of the Miami river would afford ample flood protection at a negligible cost, and that no law or custom, human or divine, justifies an expense of millions to protect interests that are purely pecuniary and of their own free choice."

Commissioners of the county are "earnestly urged at once to take all ordinary or extraordinary measures necessary to defeat the operation of the act in the county of Miami. To the end that they shall in conjunction with the county prosecuting attorney employ local and outside attorneys to resist to the last degree the enforcement of said act."

## Commission Sees Better Times.

Early returns received by the state tax commission indicate, says the commission in a statement, that there will be enormous increases in personal property returns, assuring reduced tax rates and better times for home owners and farmers. The commission ascribes the increases to the close supervision that is being exercised under the provisions of the Warnes provision that the state of Ohio will be able to pay the Smith one per cent tax law.

## SELECT HENS FOR BREEDING

One Should Visit Poultry House Occasionally and Note Pullets Found to Be Best Layers.

It is not too early to select the hens you intend using next season as breeders. It will be too late about the time you are ready to set the first eggs, if raising early and productive pullets is your object. In order to know which pullets matured quickly, and laid early and persistently, the hens that hurried through the molt and came back to business quickly, now is the time to select these. Visit the hen house occasionally and hand the pullets found to be laying; you will soon learn to know those that lay often without looking at their band numbers; these should be used as breeders next season.

Don't wait until hatching time to sell your surplus poultry; do it now—all the old hens and all but a few of the best males. As these mature and show their good points, cull again, reserving only enough to head a choice pen of the best laying hens and pullets.

## The Richness of Milk.

The Jersey heads the list with 5.35 per cent of butter fat. Next is the Guernsey with 5.16. In order come the Devon with 4.06, Shorthorn 4.04, Ayrshire 3.66, and Holstein with 3.42. It should be remembered that the quantity of milk seems to be inversely proportioned to the richness. The Holstein, for example, usually gives a much larger flow of milk than the Jersey.

## Good Tools Facilitate.

Tools that are in the best of condition always make the work move more rapidly.

## Scratching Shed.

Hens should have some kind of a scratching shed built to or very near a choice pen of the best laying hens and pullets.

## BRIGHT OUTLOOK FOR ROAD BILL

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER BELIEVES THAT FEDERAL MEAS-  
URE WILL PASS.

## OVER MILLION FOR OHIO

Appeal For Starving Quail Is Sent Out  
From Columbus—Architect For  
State Building At San Francisco  
Selected—Auditor Opposed To Paying  
B